

REMARKS

Claims 1-20 directed to integrated circuit (IC) design verification are pending.

Claims 1-8 directed to a connector device have been cancelled.

Reconsideration of Claims 1-20 is respectfully requested.

Amendment to the Specification

All references to a connector device disclosed in FIGURES 1-6 have been deleted. The specification on file in the Patent and Trademark Office apparently has erroneously incorporated the specification of a different invention (relating to a connector device) with the specification that was originally filed by the Applicant. The Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to delete all references in the specification to a connector device disclosed in FIGURES 1-6.

Amendment to the Drawings

FIGURES 1-6 that relate to a connector device have been deleted. FIGURES 1-2 that relate to integrated circuit (IC) design verification have been retained. The drawings on file in the Patent and Trademark Office apparently have erroneously incorporated the drawings of a different invention (relating to a connector device) with the drawings that were originally filed by the Applicant. The Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to delete FIGURES 1-6 that relate to a connector device. The Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to retain FIGURES 1-2 that relate to integrated circuit (IC) design verification.

35 U.S.C. § 112 Enablement

On Page 3 of the June 30, 2005 Office Action, the Examiner rejected Claims 1-8 and Claims 1-20 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the enablement requirement. In response, the Applicant has amended the specification, drawings, and claims to delete all references to the invention relating to a connector device. No new matter has been added as a result of these amendments.

The Applicant respectfully submits that the patent application on file in the Patent and Trademark Office apparently has erroneously incorporated a patent application of a different invention (relating to a connector device) with the patent application that was originally filed by the Applicant. The amendments set forth in this Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 overcome the enablement rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112.

The Applicant respectfully submits that Claims 1-20 are in condition for allowance. Allowance of Claims 1-20 is respectfully requested.

The Applicant's attorney has made the amendments and arguments set forth above in order to place this Application in condition for allowance. In the alternative, the Applicant's attorney has made the amendments and arguments to properly frame the issues for appeal. In this Amendment, the Applicant makes no admission concerning any now moot rejection or objection, and affirmatively deny any position, statement or averment of the Examiner that was not specifically addressed herein.

SUMMARY


Entry of this amendment is respectfully requested. If any outstanding issues remain, or if the Examiner has any further suggestions for expediting prosecution of this Application, the Applicant respectfully invites the Examiner to contact the undersigned at the telephone number indicated below or at *dvenglarik@davismunck.com*.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0208.

Respectfully submitted,

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